



By the King.

A Proclamation for the confirmation of all Authorized Orders, tending to the Vniuersall publishing and teaching, of a certaine Religious Treatise, compiled by Authority, and Intituled by the Name of G O D, And the K I N G.



Hereas the Oath of Allegiance deuised by Our Parliament, and defended by Our Royall Penne, hath not onely bene impugned by Contradiction, but also hath bene endeououred to be made frustrate, by diuers secret practizes, and deuices; Whereby either to diswade Our Subjects from the taking of the same, or otherwise to make them take it onely in dissimulation, to auoyd the penalties of Law inflicted vpon the refuser: wee in Our Princely wisdomme, calling to minde that the terrour of Lawes without Instruction and Education, is but an vnperfect remedie; haue thought good, That there should be coupled a brieft and perspicuous Booke or Treatise, Intituled, G O D A N D T H E K I N G, Or a Dialogue, shewing that Our Soueraigne Lord King I A M E S, being immediate vnder G O D, within his Dominions, doeth rightfully claime whatsoever is required by The Oath of Allegiance: fit for the capacite of Youth, whereby in their tender yeeres, the trueth of that Doctrine may be bred and settled in them, and thereby they the better armed, and prepared to withstand any perswasions which in their riper yeeres, may be offered and bled towards them, for the corrupting of them, in their duetie and Allegiance; And also, may prevent and auoyd their incurring the danger of Our Lawes for refusing the same. And although, we haue by Our speciall Direction, recommended vnto Our right trustie and welbeloued Counsaillour, the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and to the rest of the Bishops of the Realme, to giue order for the vniuersall dispersing, and teaching of all Youth in the said Booke; Yet, for the better effecting of Our Princely purpose therein, we doe by these presents, straightly charge, and command, all Our louing Subjects, to obey such Direction and Order, as by the said Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Archbishop of Yorke, or other the Bishops of Our Realme, shalbe taken, for and concerning the publishing and teaching of the same: Upon paine, both of such Ecclesiastical Censure, as in the like cases are to be inflicted, And also of Our Princely Indignation, and such other punishment, as by the Law and Our Prerogative Royall, shalbe due against the contemners of this Our Royall Commandement.

Giuen at Theobalds the eighth day of Nouember, in the thirteenth yeere of Our Raigne of Great Britaine, France and Ireland, and of Scotland the nine and fourtieth.

God saue the King.

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